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WHENEAS, Operation Raleigh is an international scientific expedition aimed at youth leadership development which undertakes scientific research and community service projects in more than forty countries in commemoration of the 16th century voyages sponsored by Sir Walter Raleigh; and,

WHEREAS, The operation consists of sixteen phases, each of approximately three months, in an international group of up to 250 young men and women, ages 17 to 24, called "Venturers"; and,

WHEREAS, Ten youth from the Rosebud Sioux Tribe in South Dakota will be sponsored to participate in the Summer 1988 United States Expedition; and,

WHENEAS, The Summer 1988 United States Expedition will spread across nearly 6,000 miles of North America and will encompass over twenty diverse and demanding projects, including the construction of fresh water wells on the Pine Ridge India: Reservation in South Dakota; and,

WHETEAS, The Rosebud Sioux Indian Reservation is sponsoring a Bike-A-Thon across the State of South Dakota, to raise money for the Rosebud Lakota youth to participate in Operation Raleigh; and,

WHETEAS, "Operation Raleigh Bike-A-Thon" will consist of eight days on Highway 44 across South Dakota at an average trek of fifty miles per day:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 6, 1988, as

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in South Dakota, and I wish the youth participating in the Bike-A-Thon across our state the best of health, safety and success.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Nineteenth Day of April, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Bundred

MICKELSON, GOVERNOR